

Saint James

St. James Roman Catholic Church, a diverse community rooted in vibrant Eucharistic Liturgy, serves those in need in partnership with others.



Saint James Church is staffed by the priests and brothers of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity

SUNDAY MASS

9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Presentation Hall

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. Tolton Chapel (Rectory, 2942 S. Wabash)

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RECONCILIATION

Confessions at St. James on the first Friday of the month, 7:30pm- 8:30pm, or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

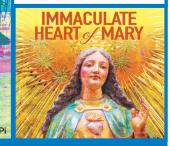
Monday -Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm

Friday 9:00am-12:00pm By appointment only

Saturday & Sunday Closed

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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

JUNE 16, 2019 THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he

will guide you to all truth." - Jn 16:13a

ON THE WAY.....

May the grace and peace of the Holy Spirit be with us forever.

The fifty days of the Easter season ended on Pentecost Sunday. In the Church's calendar we are now in



"ordinary time" until the season of Advent (this year beginning on December 1.) It is somewhat ironic then that we begin "ordinary time" with two extraordinary feasts - Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi (Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ.) Most of the special days in the liturgical year reflect an event in the life of Jesus or the saints - Jesus' birth and death, the transfiguration and ascension, the angel's annunciation to Mary and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. The Feast of the Holy Trinity does not refer to any specific event but to an idea, the very idea of God. The Church has celebrated Trinity Sunday for the past seven hundred years or so to remind us of the mystery of God.

The catechism definition of the Trinity is confusing to most Christians because it uses philosophical categories that we are not familiar with, "three persons in one divine nature." That is why we frequently resort to images - St. Patrick's shamrock, for example. One of my favorite images comes from St. Ignatius who compared the Trinity to a chord played on an instrument: three distinct notes forming one sound. Then there is the story from St. Augustine who had a revelation as he was walking by the sea of a boy using a sea shell to carry the water from the ocean and place it into a small hole in the sand. He asked, "My boy, what are doing?" "I am trying to bring all the sea into this hole," the boy replied. "But that is impossible, my dear child, the hole cannot contain all that water" said Augustine. The boy paused in his work, stood up, looked into the eyes of the Saint, and replied, "It is no more impossible than what you are trying to do - comprehend the immensity of the mystery of the Holy Trinity with your small intelligence."

The Trinity was not revealed to us in order to serve as a puzzle but to help us understand the very nature of God. And the key to understanding the Trinity is not mathematics but relationships. The doctrine of the Trinity teaches us that God can only be God in relationship. The image of God all alone, sitting on the divine throne is contrary to the Christian understanding of God. Perhaps a better image is that of a family. We speak of the "Smith Household" or the "Jones Family" because their relationships with one another bind them into a unity. All analogies limp and this limps more than most since we are dealing with a profound mystery but it does serve to illustrate how important it is to work on our relationships. Doing so reflects the very life of God.

Devotion to the Holy Trinity, therefore, is found most profoundly by building bridges to others which overcome the distances that divide. We share in the very life of the Trinity by deepening the bonds of love in our families, our neighborhoods, among our schoolmates or work colleagues, with fellow Church members. Peace and unity are the surest signs of the presence of the Triune God.

In the Most Holy Trinity, Fr. John Edmunds, S.T

AT ST. JAMES....



This week we are celebrating Eva Leonard's 90th birthday! Happy Birthday Eva! Thank you for all that you do for our community.



The second collection this week, June 16th, is being taken up as part of "mission cooperative" for the **Missionary Servants. Your gift** helps support those who

stuggle in the 37 missions across the US and Latin America. They are people who aren't looking for and handout; they are working hard to find their way and simply need a hand up. Thank you in advanced for your generosity and support.





Two of the men who have been living at St. James will be ordained this month. Brother Ramon Flores, S.T. will be ordained a deacon in Compton California on June 22 and Brother Gustavo Amell. S.T., will be ordained a priest in Guamal, Colombia on June 29. Every blessing to them as they move into the next stage in their religious life.

TREASURE, TIME, & TALENT

Evangelization Committee News ALPHA CONTINUES JUNE 23rd

4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Rectory Come for supper and conversation..... June 23: Why and How Do I Pray? June 30: to be announced



SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT				
JANUARY 1— JUNE 9				
<u>SUNDAY</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	
ENVELOPES	\$35,816.75	\$35,455.00	\$361.75	
CHECKS	\$13,188.00	\$9,436.00	\$3,752.00	
CASH	\$6,270.08	\$5,860.62	\$409.46	
ON-LINE	\$31,570.00	\$27,110.00	\$4,460.00	
<u>TOTAL SUNDAY</u>	<u>\$86,844.83</u>	<u>\$77,861.62</u>	<u>\$8,983.21</u>	
MAINTENANCE	\$1,542.00	\$1,374.80	\$167.20	
SHARING	\$3,443.23	\$3,095.54	\$347.69	
TOLTON				
CANONIZATION	\$608.20	\$755.93	(\$147.73)	
<u>TOTAL OTHER</u>	<u>\$5,593.43</u>	<u>\$5,226.27</u>	<u>\$367.16</u>	
TOTAL GIVING	\$92 , 438.26	\$83,087.89	\$9,350.37	



Our Home Bound:

Judy Archer Margie Bass Altee Clark Edwina Cook Paul Freeman Juanita James James Kennard Sr. Barbara Rastatter Norman Rouse Geraldine Scudder Barbara Southhall Dina Williams

Our Sick Victoria Allen Aayliah Cooper Patsy Cunningham Marvelean Doss Nancy McCarthy Barbara Radizwon Sandra Reynolds Donald Rogers Kimberly Starr

Mass Attendance

June 2, 2019: 122(9:30 a.m.)/57(11:30 a.m.) June 9, 2019: 119(9:30 a.m.)/53(11:30 a.m.)

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JAMES....

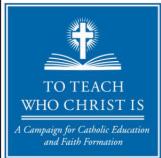
Sun 06/16	The Most Holy Trinity Second Collection Missionary Servants Father's Day		
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. † 9:40 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Mass Elanor Zivkovic - requested by Ron Zivkovic	
Mon 06/17	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)	
Tue 06/18	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)	
Wed 06/19	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)	
Thur 06/20	7:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel) Social Care Board (Rectory)	
Fri 06/21	7:30 a.m.	Mass (Rectory-Tolton Chapel)	
Sun 06/23	The Most Holy Body And Blood of Christ		
	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:40 a.m. 10: 30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	11455	



Brothers Gustavo and Ramon will be leaving St. James for their new assignments after ordination, Mississippi and Puerto Rico respectively. Brother Ernesto will be spending next year at our mission in Columbia as part of a "pastoral year," experiencing the life of a missionary. In addition, Fr. Domingo, who has been in residence at St. James for the past three years will be moving to Compton, California.

We wish all of them every blessing!

ST. JAMES · CHICAGO



In the next few weeks the replacement of the roof will begin. This is possible because of the generosity of those who have honored their pledge to the TTWCI capital campaign. Some news about TTWCI.

1. We are in the third year of our five year campaign with \$258,791 collected as of May 15.

2. We have fulfilled our commitment to the Archdiocese (40% of our goal -- \$104,000) and going forward the parish receives all donations.

3. The share St. James has received so far is \$161,887.

4. We used \$72,000 of that money to replace the windows.

5. As of April 30 St. James has \$89.544 in the capital account. That money will be used to pay for the new roof. The roof replacement could cost as much as \$120,000.

6. Thank you to those who have completed their pledges and those who continue to honor their pledges.

We are all in your debt.

7. A gentle reminder to those who have lapsed in their pledge payments of how important your contributions are. People from St. James pledged \$474, 783.